

Forests and Climate Change Programme (FORCLIME)

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Challenges

Indonesia is filled with biologically diverse tropical forests, however, illegal logging, forest fires and various unsustainable practices are still depleting the country's jungles and woodlands, as well as making a huge contribution to Indonesia's greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. Indonesia's forests are thus vitally important in terms of efforts to mitigate the effects of climate change. In this regard, the Indonesian Government has vowed to reduce its carbon footprint by 29% before 2030. In recent years, the devolution of power to Indonesia's various regions and provinces has resulted in positive changes to forestry-related policies and institutional frameworks, however, a lack of capacities and resources are hampering this process. This is the challenge that FORCLIME and the Ministry of Environment and Forestry work on.



Objectives

FORCLIME is working with its partners to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the forestry sector while improving the livelihoods of poor rural communities across Eastern Indonesia. To achieve this goal, the programme team assists the Indonesian Government and provincial authorities in the design and implementation of legal, policy and institutional reforms aimed at the conservation and sustainable management of forests at the local, provincial and national levels. Support for the mobilisation of climate finance for forest resource management is a feature of the programme, providing decision-makers with experience of how REDD+ can be implemented on the ground.

Left top: Grating sago trunk using a traditional tool (tokok).

Left below: Supporting women empowerment activity.

Right top: Orchid restocking by Women group at Lore Lindu Biosphere Reserve. Right below: Coffee harvested from agroforestry practices in Central Sulawesi.

Approach

FORCLIME is pursuing a multilevel approach that it is implementing at the national, provincial and district levels. The experience gained through the programme in terms of its implementation in the field is providing valuable lessons at the level of policy. Geographically speaking, FORCLIME is currently focusing its efforts within eastern Indonesia, specifically the provinces of Central Sulawesi, Papua, South Papua, West Papua and Southwest Papua.



At the national level, FORCLIME works alongside the Ministry of Environment and Forestry on the design and implementation of legal, policy-related and institutional reforms. These reforms are applied out in the field in the programme's main areas of geographic focus at both the sub-district (in Tanah Papua called as *Distrik*) and provincial levels. Moreover, said reforms tackle issues relating to conservation, sustainable forest management, emissions reductions and improvements to

the quality of life for various local communities. FORCLIME also works closely with local forest administrations, as well as with Indonesian universities and training centres in order to build their capacities. The goal here is to improve the planning procedures, approaches to conflict resolution and community-based forest management.

At the international level, FORCLIME is supporting various international forestry and environmental initiatives and mechanisms, including REDD+ under the Climate Change Convention and the Access and Benefit Sharing Mechanism (ABS) set out under the Convention on Biological Diversity. The goal is to create decision-makers at the local level with experience in the implementation of international concepts on the ground.

FORCLIME supports the full integration of biodiversity conservation, climate-change mitigation, sustainable economic development and human-resource development following the emerging concept of a forest-based bioeconomy development within its target districts.

Strategic Support/Results achieved so far



Dialogue and Forest Policy Advisory

- Support the verification processes for customary forest proposals in Papua and West Papua Provinces.
- Support the drafting of Presidential Regulation on the Acceleration of Social Forestry in Indonesia.
- Support the development of Forestry Operations Macro Plans.
- Mainstreaming SDGs and gender issues in forestry sector.
- Support the study on bioeconomy development in forestry sector.
- G20 side events on Y20 and W20 in Manokwari, West Papua Province.



Human Capacity Development

- Capacity building on leadership and change management for structural staff in forestry institution.
- Business development training for FMU facilitators and farmers groups.
- Digital marketing for SMEs and farmer groups.
- eLearning development for Ministry of Environment and Forestry.
- Internship programme for students from universities in Papua & West Papua Provinces.

Top: G20 side events on Y20 and W20 in Manokwari, West Papua Province. Bottom: Capacity building on leadership and change management.

in West Papua Province

- Facilitating policy dialogue for operationalization of **Social Forestry Acceleration Working Group**.
- Development of **management plan for Forest Management Units (FMUs)**.
- Four villages as a **pilot for sustainable forest management (FPIC process, work plan development, trainings)**.
- Development of **Tambrau Conservation District and Customary Community Masterplan**.

in Papua Province

- Facilitating **policy dialogues between the Ministry of Environment and Forestry and the provincial government** on forestry development in Papua and Provincial Forestry Plan.
- Development of **management plan for protected areas**.
- Five villages as a **pilot for sustainable forest management (FPIC process, work plan development, trainings, knowledge exchange)**.



in Central Sulawesi Province

- **Management plan of Forest Management Unit**.
- Establishment of **Doda and Rogo Village Forest Manager**.
- **Social forestry road map** in Central Sulawesi Province.
- Establishment of **Product Verification Team** in Lore Lindu Biosphere Reserve Management.
- Support for **Indigenous Community Conserved Area (ICCA)** in three villages.
- Evaluation of **Community Conservation Agreement**.
- Supporting the Ngata Toro Indigenous Women's Organization (OPANT) in compiling the Guidelines for Teaching Materials for Traditional Schools in Toro village in Central Sulawesi Province.

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